

Chapter 6

Entering and Saving Data



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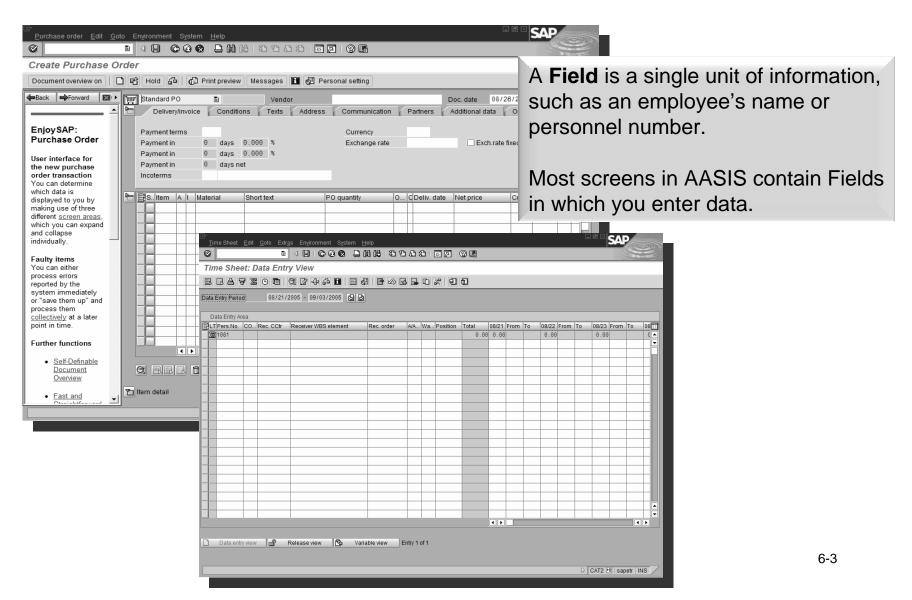
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Field characteristics:



Fields vary in length. The length of a field determines how many characters you can enter in the field.



Some fields are "Display Only" and will not allow you to enter or change data. These fields are displayed in gray.

Using Fields

Required Fields

A Required Field icon represents a required input field that must contain data in order to process. You must enter data in required fields or AASIS will produce an error message.

Suggested Entries

The Suggested Entry icon appears when an input field contains a list of suggested entries. These entries may appear in a drop-down list or in a match code which is AASIS's search strategy associated with the field.

Using Input Fields

Input fields may enable you to display a list of possible entries.

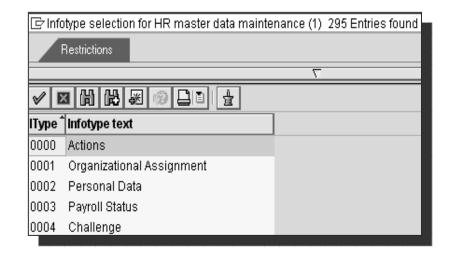


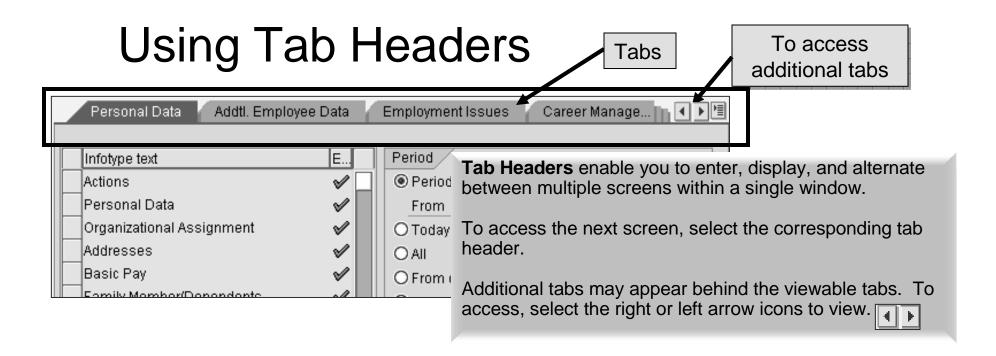
To determine if such a list is available for an input field, place the cursor in the input field. If the suggested entry icon appears to the right of the field, select the icon to display possible entries, or Press F4 and a list of possible field values will be displayed.

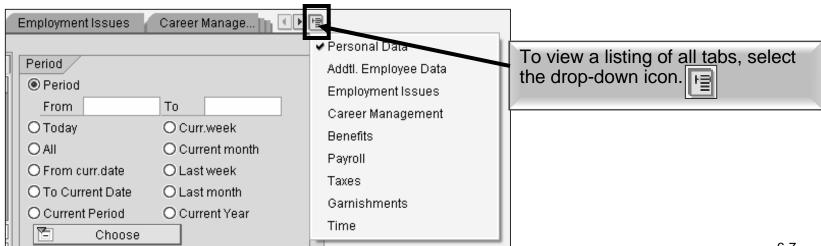


In the example to the right, a drop down of available values appears.

To insert data from this list into the input field, double-click on the data that you want to insert or highlight the selection and select the 'Copy' icon.







Using Typing Modes

There are two typing modes for entering data:

- · Overwrite
- Insert

Typing modes are located at the bottom right hand corner of your AASIS status bar. Selecting **OVR** (overwrite) or **INS** (insert) allows you to switch between the overwrite and insert mode. You can also toggle the two by selecting the Insert key on your keyboard.



In Overwrite mode, you can type over data to the right of the cursor.



In **Insert** mode, you can insert data between existing data. Any data to the right of the cursor is moved to the right as you type.

Save Data





When a transaction consists of several screens, the system temporarily stores the entered data. You must then save this data permanently into the AASIS database. If you try to end a transaction where data must be saved, a pop-up box appears to confirm the saving of data before ending the process.

Select 'Yes' to save the data.

Note: You can also save data by pressing: Control + S

End Transaction Without Saving





Exits the current function without saving.

To End the current transaction without saving, select the 'Exit' icon OR Press Shift+ F3. A pop-up window prompts you to save your data.

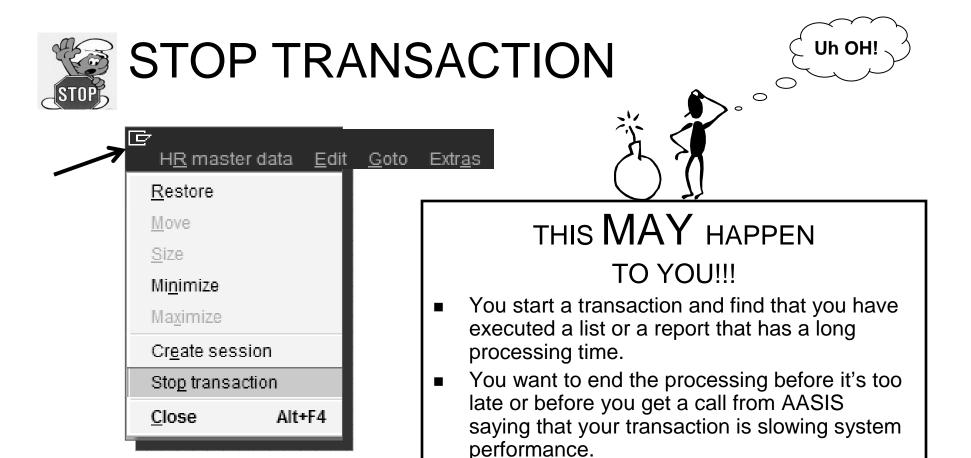
Select 'No' to exit without saving and return to the initial screen or main menu screen.

End Transaction Without Saving



The **Cancel** option lets you leave a task without saving the data you have entered.

To Exit the current task without saving and return to the application, click the Cancel icon OR Press F12.

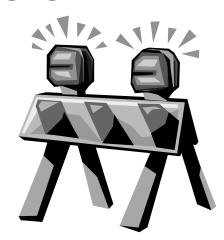


Stop Transaction allows you to stop an execution.

For example, a transaction takes a long time to execute (ex: you may have forgotten to enter selection criteria). You can choose the System control icon located in the top left corner of the control of the AASIS window and select 'Stop transaction' from the menu.

A WORD OF ABOUT MESSAGES IN AASIS !!!





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Messages can be displayed in a variety of ways and can have different characteristics. Regardless of the message, you should <u>NEVER</u> ignore a message received in AASIS. If you receive a warning message from AASIS and are not sure how to respond, seek guidance from either your supervisor or contact the AASIS Help Desk (501-683-2255).

You will learn more about task specific messages in your relative course curriculum.

Interpreting Messages



MESSAGE ICONS



denotes an error



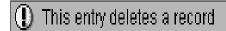


denotes other system message





denotes a warning



Interpreting Messages are ways AASIS check entries entered into the system. If AASIS finds a problem with an entry, it displays one of 3 types of messages. They are Error, Informational, and Warning messages.

Error messages appear if the entries made are unacceptable. You cannot continue until new entries are made in the particular field.

Informational messages may alert you to potential problems with the entry and allow you to continue to the next screen.

Warning messages alert you to potential problems with the entry, but allow you to continue to the next screen.